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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

Claims as Amended								
(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee		
Total claims	9	Minus	**=20	* 0 x	\$18 (9)	= \$ 0		
Independent claims	3	Minus	*** =3	* 0 x	\$86 (43)	= \$ 0		
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This application contains a multiple dependent claim.	The required fee of \$290(145)	has been previously paid	l □, or is paid
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